

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: David M. Markovitz *et al.*  
Serial No.: 10/670,065 Group No.: 1641  
Filed: 09/24/2003 Examiner: L.V. Cook  
Entitled: **Methods of Secretory Vimentin Detection and Modulations**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE  
ACTION MAILED FEBRUARY 4, 2009**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

The following communication is in response the Office Action mailed February 4, 2009 in the above-referenced application. Applicants file herein a request for a three-month extension of time from May 4, 2009 to August 4, 2009, together with the appropriate fee. Applicants believe that no additional fee is due at this time. The Commissioner is, however, hereby authorized to charge any required fees to Attorney Deposit Account No. 50-4302, referencing Attorney Docket No.: UM-08388.

**STATUS OF THE CLAIMS** begins on page 2 of this document.

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